

SB 6637 - H COMM AMD  
By Committee on Health Care

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 70.128.120 and 2002 c 223 s 1 are each amended to  
4 read as follows:

5 Each adult family home provider and each resident manager shall  
6 have the following minimum qualifications, except that only providers  
7 are required to meet the provisions of subsection (10) of this section:

8 (1) Twenty-one years of age or older;

9 (2) For those applying after September 1, 2001, to be licensed as  
10 providers, and for resident managers whose employment begins after  
11 September 1, 2001, a United States high school diploma or general  
12 educational development (GED) certificate or any English or translated  
13 government documentation of the following:

14 (a) Successful completion of government-approved public or private  
15 school education in a foreign country that includes an annual average  
16 of one thousand hours of instruction over twelve years or no less than  
17 twelve thousand hours of instruction;

18 (b) A foreign college, foreign university, or United States  
19 community college two-year diploma;

20 (c) Admission to, or completion of coursework at, a foreign  
21 university or college for which credit was granted;

22 (d) Admission to, or completion of coursework at, a United States  
23 college or university for which credits were awarded;

24 (e) Admission to, or completion of postgraduate coursework at, a  
25 United States college or university for which credits were awarded; or

26 (f) Successful passage of the United States board examination for  
27 registered nursing, or any professional medical occupation for which  
28 college or university education preparation was required;

29 (3) Good moral and responsible character and reputation;

1 (4) Literacy in the English language, however, a person not  
2 literate in the English language may meet the requirements of this  
3 subsection by assuring that there is a person on staff and available  
4 who is able to communicate or make provisions for communicating with  
5 the resident in his or her primary language and capable of  
6 understanding and speaking English well enough to be able to respond  
7 appropriately to emergency situations and be able to read and  
8 understand resident care plans;

9 (5) Management and administrative ability to carry out the  
10 requirements of this chapter;

11 (6) Satisfactory completion of department-approved basic training  
12 and continuing education training as specified by the department in  
13 rule, based on recommendations of the community long-term care training  
14 and education steering committee and working in collaboration with  
15 providers, consumers, caregivers, advocates, family members, educators,  
16 and other interested parties in the rule-making process;

17 (7) Satisfactory completion of department-approved, or equivalent,  
18 special care training before a provider may provide special care  
19 services to a resident;

20 (8) Not been convicted of any crime listed in RCW 43.43.830 and  
21 43.43.842; (~~and~~))

22 (9) For those applying after September 1, 2001, to be licensed as  
23 providers, and for resident managers whose employment begins after  
24 September 1, 2001, at least three hundred twenty hours of successful,  
25 direct caregiving experience obtained after age eighteen to vulnerable  
26 adults in a licensed or contracted setting prior to operating or  
27 managing an adult family home; and

28 (10) Prior to being granted a license, providers applying after  
29 January 1, 2007, must complete a department-approved forty-eight hour  
30 adult family home administration and business planning class. The  
31 department shall promote and prioritize bilingual capabilities within  
32 available resources and when materials are available for this purpose."

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1       On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "providers;" strike the  
2 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 70.128.120."

EFFECT: Directs DSHS to promote and prioritize bilingual training within available resources. Delays the requirement for adult family home providers to take an administration and business planning class for six months.

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